School of Business Returns to Shanghai! View the Flickr Album »
For the second year in a row, we partnered with Professor Roger Beahm’s Asia Global Immersion Course and offered An Evening with the School of Business in Shanghai. The highlight of the evening included hearing from three Biz Deac alumni: Xia Ding (MBA ’96), President of International Fashion and VP of JD.com; Jun Tu (MBA ’94), CFO of IHG Greater China; and Helen Hu (MBA ’97), CFO of Duke Kunshan University. Read more.

Thank you, Alumni, for Connecting with the School of Business! Thanks to our alumni for joining us and continuing to stay connected to the University at the following events:

• During the month of May, MBA alumni, students, and prospective students enjoyed craft beers throughout the Triad for our Business & Breweries series. We hope you’ll join us for one of our June events below.
• On May 7, we celebrated the Class of 2019 Emerging Leaders Program which had 15 Masters in Management students graduate and transition into their careers as full-time PAs. Nearly 20 alumni helped them to celebrate. Congratulations, graduates!
• On May 15, nearly 30 MSA alumni joined us for a Happy Hour at Resident Culture Brewing Company in Charlotte. We hope you’ll join us in June for our NYC happy hour!
• On May 16, alumni, parents, students, and friends of Wake Forest joined 13 School of Business faculty members and eight School and University leadership staff in San Francisco for An Evening with the School of Business at Handshake headquarters.

UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

Business & Breweries: MBA Meet & Greet Series
MBA alumni and current students are invited to our Business & Breweries series, which rotates between breweries in Winston-Salem and Greensboro. Connect with old friends while expanding your Wake Forest and School of Business network at these casual meet-ups. If you have a colleague or friend who may be interested in the MBA program, bring them along!
• June 10 at Joymongers Barrel Hall in Winston-Salem
• June 17 at Foothills Brewpub in Winston-Salem
• June 24 at Joymongers Brewing Co in Greensboro

WAKE MBA Meet-ups in Charlotte
Current MBA students and WFU alumni are invited to our summer MBA Meet-ups in Charlotte. The first 50 attendees and all prospective students receive a free drink ticket. If you know someone interested in the MBA program, please bring them along! Call (704) 365-1717 for additional information. Registration is required.
• June 20 at Lenny Boy Brewing (3000 Tryon Street), 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
• July 11 at Bold Missy Brewery (612 Anderson Street), 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

WAKEthe City: 11 cities across the U.S.
WAKEthe City is a time for Wake Foresters to gather together to recognize and celebrate volunteer leaders who support programs and events for alumni, parents, and friends of Wake Forest wherever they live. WAKEthe City events will be held throughout June in 11 cities across the country, including Atlanta, Charlotte, Raleigh, Washington D.C. and others.

MSA Alumni Happy Hour: June 20, New York City
MSA alumni are invited to join Jim Willis, Associate Dean of Accounting, for a Happy Hour in New York City. Reconnect with classmates and meet alumni from previous or subsequent years as you continue to build and strengthen your Wake Forest network. The first drink is on us! Register by June 18.
ALUMNI NEWS

Anil Gupta (MBA ‘92, LLD ‘17) presented with Distinguished Alumni Award
Wake Forest presented three alumni with the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award April 26. Anil Gupta (MBA ‘92, LLD ‘17), Buck Cochran (‘82), and Donne Edwards (‘80) were honored for their commitment to serving Wake Forest and weaving Pro Humanitate through their lives and work. Read more.

Cheslie Kryst (JD/MBA ‘17) crowned Miss USA 2019
Wake Forest JD/MBA grad Cheslie Kryst was crowned Miss USA May 2. Kryst is a civil litigation attorney from Charlotte, NC, who does pro bono work to reduce sentences for inmates. Read more.

Dion Williams (MBA ‘03) named CEO of Piedmont Advantage Credit Union
Piedmont Advantage Credit Union’s board of directors has hired Dion Williams as its president and chief executive, effective May 1. Read more.

Goodbye to alumnus and avid Wake Forest fan, Abe Elmore (‘55)
We are saddened to announce that William Pernon “Abe” Elmore, 86, passed away May 19, at Betsy Johnson Hospital in Dunn. Elmore earned a Bachelors of Business Administration from Wake Forest in 1955. As an avid Wake Forest fan, Abe chaired the Wake Forest Has-Beens Club for 36 years. Read more.

SCHOOL NEWS

Commencement & Graduate Hooding 2019
The School of Business awarded 458 master’s and 258 bachelor’s degrees during the Wake Forest University Commencement May 20, 2019. Executive vice president and chief financial officer of Qurate Retail Group, Jeffrey Davis, was the keynote speaker at the School of Business Graduate Hooding Ceremony.

Alumni-Faculty Award Winners
Congratulations to our Alumni-Faculty Award Winners, George Aldhizer and Jim Willis, who won the Horace Kelly Alumni Teaching Award and Kienzle Alumni Teaching Award respectively. Thank you to our undergraduate business alumni of 2009 and graduate business alumni of 2016 for submitting nominations.
GET INVOLVED

Participate in MSBA & MSM Summer Orientations: July 7-12
Alumni are invited to join new student orientations for the MSBA and MSM programs. We are looking for alumni table hosts, panelists, and alumni interested in participating in information interviews with students from late July to mid-August. Masters in Management Alumni should contact Kaitlyn Cooper (cooperk@wfu.edu), Associate Director, Integrative Student Services - Masters in Management program, for more information. MSBA Alumni should contact Cherie Fu (fuy@wfu.edu), Assistant Director, Integrative Student Services - Masters in Business Analytics program, for more information.

Call for Sponsors: MSM Action Learning Project 2
Action Learning Projects (ALP) enable students to apply their academic knowledge to real-world business challenges. We are currently seeking sponsors interested in providing “live” projects for students to gain valuable practical experience. Each team is matched with a different sponsor and project to manage. Contact Angie Lynde (lyndeaj@wfu.edu), Assistant Director, Experiential Learning, for more information.

Be a featured alumni during Cultural Awareness Months
The School of Business is committed to celebrating the diversity of our community, and it is powerful for our current students to see faces and stories of alumni with whom they may identify. Featured alumni will be displayed on our digital boards throughout Farrell Hall and the Charlotte Center during the following Cultural Awareness Months:
• LatinX Heritage Month (September - October)
• LGBTQ History Month (October)
• Black History Month (February)
• National Women’s History Month (March)
• Asian Heritage Month (April)

If you’re interested in being a featured alumni, please complete this form and share a high resolution photo of yourself or contact Amanda Horton (hortonaj@wfu.edu), Senior Associate Director, Integrative Student Services - Center for Excellence, for more information.

Become a Loyal DEAC!
Loyal DEACS are our most dedicated Demon Deacons who Discover the power of the Wake Forest community, Engage in university events, Advocate for Wake as active volunteers, and Commit to the long-term success of Wake Forest by making a gift each year. Log into Wake Network to see what letters you need to become a Loyal DEAC and earn sweet swag.
ADDITIONAL UPDATES

We want your feedback!
As School of Business alumni, we want to ensure that we are providing you with opportunities that help you connect with the School and University. Let us know what types of engagement events you would be most interested in, whether it is on campus or in your own city.

Executive Education Opportunities
Wake Forest Executive Education is pleased to offer intensive one-day immersions in Business Analytics at the Wake Forest Innovation Quarter in Winston-Salem June 11 and Authentic and Effective Leadership at the Wake Forest University Charlotte Center June 25. Please join us! Alumni discounts are available.

Participate in our MBA Referral Program, get rewards!
One in three incoming MBA students are referred because School of Business alumni know better than anyone the type of candidate that will thrive at Wake Forest. The MBA Referral Program is a formal way to facilitate these connections and recognize your influence in the Wake legacy and MBA community.

What do you do? In addition to sharing the personal and professional impact the Wake MBA has had on your life and career with friends, encourage them to schedule a one-on-one consultation, register for an upcoming event, or help facilitate an introduction to Jeremiah Nelson (nelsonjs@wfu.edu), Director, Enrollment Management.

What are the benefits? By referring an incoming MBA student you will receive an invite to the referral dinner for you and the referred student(s); an exclusive Wake MBA branded “members only” jacket; a scholarship of at least $3,000 given to your referral, in your name; and a raffle ticket to win additional prizes at the referral dinner.